

DELEGATE JAMES (presiding): Are there any further questions?

If there are no further questions, we will proceed with a section by section consideration for the purpose of receiving amendments on style, only.

Delegate Willoner.

DELEGATE WILLONER: I had just one more question, getting back to "an amendment." Is the same thing intended in section 10.02, "an amendment to the constitution," as in section 10.03, "any proposal recommended by the convention?"

Is there a difference between "proposal" and "amendment", or are they supposed to be synonymous?

DELEGATE JAMES (presiding): Delegate Penniman.

DELEGATE PENNIMAN: I am sorry. I am not sure what you were referring to.

DELEGATE JAMES (presiding): Would you repeat your question, Delegate Willoner?

DELEGATE WILLONER: In section 10.02 it provides that there can be amendment to the constitution by calling a constitutional convention. Is that correct?

DELEGATE PENNIMAN: That is correct.

DELEGATE WILLONER: And in section 10.03, on line 47, it refers to "Any proposal recommended by the convention for changing the constitution shall be adopted in the same manner as amendment."

Is there supposedly any difference between proposal and amendment there?

DELEGATE PENNIMAN: Well, in this instance, since we have provided for the handling of an amendment in the preceding section, the presumption was that in this case it was the whole-hog operation of the whole constitution.

DELEGATE WILLONER: Then it is my understanding that it is the Committee's understanding that section 10.03 refers to individual amendments rather than amendment of an existing constitution by a whole new constitution; and "proposal" refers to the amendment of an existing constitution by a whole new Constitution, as we are doing here?

DELEGATE PENNIMAN: I am sorry. I am trying to find the word "amendment" somewhere in 10.03.

DELEGATE WILLONER: In 10.03?

DELEGATE PENNIMAN: Yes.

DELEGATE WILLONER: Lines 47 through 52.

DELEGATE PENNIMAN: That is a "proposal recommended by the convention for changing the constitution," which is the way it came to us, and we presumed that this means for the overall change of the constitution, not the individual amendments, in view of the fact that the preceding one deals with the question of individual amendments.

DELEGATE WILLONER: Well, is not a proposal for changing the constitution an amendment?

DELEGATE PENNIMAN: You can refer to what we are going to complete here, God willing, by next Friday, as an amendment, I suppose, but it is also a proposed new constitution, a proposal recommended by the convention for changing the existing constitution.

DELEGATE JAMES (presiding): Are there any other questions?

*(There was no response.)*

If there are no other questions, we will proceed to the section by section consideration for the presentation of amendments on style.

Section 10.01. Are there any amendments as to style?

The Chair hears none.

We will go to section 10.02, constitutional amendment. The Chair hearing no amendments, we will proceed to section 10.03. Delegate Needle.

DELEGATE NEEDLE: Mr. Chairman, I have two amendments on style on section 10.03. The first one would be designated as "E", as in excellent.

DELEGATE JAMES (presiding): The Chair is happy that you are taking over the function of keying letters to words. This will have to be done from the floor, because the Chair is not very versed in it.

The Clerk will read Amendment E.

Do you have copies of Amendment E? These will be distributed by the pages.

There is some difference of opinion here at the desk, so we will clarify it.

DELEGATE NEEDLE: Mr. Chairman, this is a style amendment.